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of how I tell
you I wrote he
was not like
I never thought
how know how
why off he
was your
that he
to do
of things
telling
you how Herbert was getting
along as I knew he wrote some
times, but I am not surprised
at his letters being blue, he is
very hard up, I don't mean "is
getting hard up" but often has
barely a dollar, you see when
he came out he got ill before he
could make any money, and
then he was very weak after it
& couldn't work so he had to
spend what he had to live at

all, Daniel gave him work for a
time, but nothing much, then
he could not get anything to
until they started the boat, he
managed to keep himself while
it was running and now they
made a few dollars when they
sold her, he is not going shares in
a new one, Bill is doing that
with another fellow mostly by
Herbert has got a job for a week or
so now, about a dollar a day,
after that I don't know what he
will do, his clothes are getting
very much worn, his socks all

worn to threads, long past mending
and I know he has no money
to buy more, I don't know what
he will do in a month or so,
we help him all we can, but that
is not a great deal, as you know,
he works hard and does not
grumble much, so much as he
used to and is much more sensible
about his liquor, altogether staid
and older - Ruby is better, but
she is still cootie, I am longing
to get your letter telling me
what to do, she is getting so
interesting coos away by the hour,
every body makes such a fuss
over her, dear little wile, she

spends most of her time in the
hammock. Amongst other
things Herbert has had pretty
heat very badly all last summer
and again this, Victor will tell
you what it is like; people have
it in India I believe; I have got
it and I certainly would prefer
measles. Don't think I have got
the blues, but you seemed to
want to know how Herbert really
stood and I have told you. I have
not heard from Tom for ages, but
I know he hates writing. We had
an earthquake here Aug 3, it
shook the house for nearly
three minutes; it was horrid.

Yours affectly

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